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In re the Application of

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Filed: December 15, 2000

Docket No.: 104959

For: PROCESS FOR LABELING A NUCLEIC ACID

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Also attached hereto is a Preliminary Amendment incorporating a paper and computer-readable Sequence Listing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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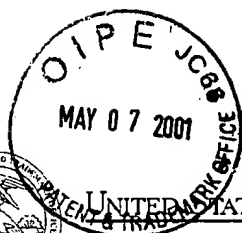
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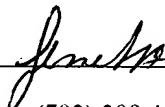
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